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The Far East's Open Door.

Takahira as Ambassador of Japan to time that his fate was sealed. the United States, with his sunny pronouncement as to the "cardinal objects said, in part: of my august sovereign," seems to make all the war talk of a few weeks ago unutterably foolish and farfetched. At the ment of contact with earth they disappeared.

Much of the silly war talk was caused tion, and undoubtedly the government of the Mikado was surprised to find that when it came to a question of competition in labor the Japanese were classed with the Chinese; but this cloud seems was merged in feelings of genial good will and kind-to have passed, and the one thing that by feeling. Such feelings predominated over all matter in which the good faith of the ture. United States is pledged, is the question as to the integrity of China. There was ruption of China seemed threatened from vast and moving snowfield seemed to accompan torial aggrandizement; Germany, with a circle in concentric mazes around as a com foothold at Kla-chou, looked longingly at | ter. the rich Shantung province; France was to myself: The rocky wall from which I am now bewilling to extend her holdings, and Great ing huried prevents my seeing what is at its ba seeking advantage. But the Russo-Japatrade with all parts of the Chinese em- thus believe? pire." This was the "open-door policy." and it has been observed strictly by all

nations but one-Japan!

master of a stretch of territory in Man- for Dixie? churia which has since been exploited for the exclusive benefit of Japan and Japanese merchants. So far from the In a recent message to Congress, Presitests from Germany and Great Britain, need. whose commercial interests in China are A formal invitation from America to larger than those of the United States. invites their construction, and she has than this. wisely determined, as far as possible, to In all history there has never been a part of China the United States might By our very position geographically, we years; and if China buys in an open maror Japanese capitalists, it is hardly likely that the door will be opened wide enough to allow us, as traders, to get in. We have got to recognize that the "open door" in China and Manchuria is a phrase full of meaning-that it has justice behind it, and that we, as a nation deeply interested, have a right to insist that it is already almost obsolete! on the present treaties being observed.

Doubtless it hurt Ambassador Takahira considerably to be obliged to blue-pencil

Capt, Hobson's war scare.

Gov. Hughes on Corporations. Gov. Hughes took occasion, in his Chicago address, the first he has delivered industrial corporations. With respect to that getting rather commonplace? public service corporations, including the railroads, his ideas are well understood through the comprehensive legislation enacted in New York at his instance. It is evident that he would not approve placing industrial corporations under supervision of administrative boards such the motto to the \$20 gold pieces, how many on Saturday. as the Interstate Commerce Commission of us can swear from our own knowledge or the public service commission of New that it ever was taken off? York. The abuses in the conduct of such corporations he would meet by prohibitive dent, what would he be called these stren-legislation directed at specific practices uous times?" inquires a contemporary.

"In a free country it is intolerable that one

The way to get rid of these abuses, says the governor, is to attack them directly, and he believes "the most efficacious means is definition and prescription and adequate punishment of offend- this land, we feel sure Harry Lehr would ers." He would have the Sherman law be Duke of Newport. amended to permit reasonable associations and agreements, and "point with more definite aim at the evils which afflict interstate commerce." Gov. Hughes thinks the evils in question "will not be threadbare, eradicated by mere changes in forms of organization," an opinion which will be shared by all impartial observers of non booms to indicate a President. trust prosecutions, especially those which seek to dissolve large corporations into

trust practices, just as the anti-rebate Journal. Oh, well; what's the use? law has all but ended discriminations in Doesn't everybody understand by this railway rates. With adequate laws regulating the formation of corporations and the flotation of their securities, the use of the police power to prevent corporate wrongdoing would go a long way toward nocent, unarmed affair; in fact, a solving the corporation problem; and it chantman. Nevertheless, by jingo, what would do it, too, as Gov. Hughes ob- was it doing there? serves, without involving business in uncertainty or handicapping legitimate enterprise.

Mr. August Belment's New York residence has been found to contain a gas meter given to running 153 per cent too fast. We shudder to think of the prob-able speed maintained by the gas meters on the inside, let us hope. in the horse of the average and every-

Is Dying Delightful?

Dr. Albert Heim, a distinguished Gernan scientist, believes that death may Manuscripts offered for publication will be, in fact, generally is, a delightful sensation. The doctor does not reach this should be sent with the manuscript for conclusion along theoretical lines exclusively. On the contrary, he recently had a very narrow escape-if, under the logic cline to pass judgment upon him until he upholds, it may be termed an "escape"-from death in the Alps, accidentally falling from a great height, and living to tell of it only because of a snowbank that broke the force of his fall at

its conclusion and saved his life. Though only a few seconds elapsed from the moment the good doctor lost his footing until he realized that he was not to die, he appears to have enjoyed a multitude of very vivid thoughts during those The arrival of the optimistic Baron few seconds, being perfectly sure all the

In relating his experience, Dr. Heim

"I was conscious only so long as I was falling o the perception of beautiful images. At the mosame time it is learned that the Japanese have delivered an inaugural discourse, and thoughts answer on the immigration question is of the grief my death would cause to those near on its way to this country through the hands of Ambassador O'Brien. and divers images and episodes of my past life. by the question of Japanese immigra- The whole mental picture stood out clear cut and ned by divine and mysterious light, "All things seemed lovely and of good report

There were no misgivings, no anxieties, no sorrow pain, or terror. "There were no sensations of contest or strife.

remains for permanent settlement, a and formed what was truly a unique and lovely pic-"Gradually a heaven of glorious blue, flecked with

as to the integrity of China. There was a time not so long ago when the disfrom below, but painlessly and pleasantly, while a many causes. Russia, through Manchu-ria, seemed inclined for extensive terri-thoughts, a medley of various feelings, seemed to

Britain was not behind any of them in Is death like that? Who knows? The so-called King of Terrors may be the nese war changed all that, and to-day the Prince of Peace. Who shall say otherone power that seeks an outlet for her wise? Here was a man-not a "crank." emigration, which, being on the ground, but an eminent scientist-perfectly sure seems to claim a sort of divine right to he was being hurled to his doom; the act as schoolmaster and exploiter to end of his life was at hand. He relates China, is Japan. When the Boxer troubles his experience as a pleasurable one enwere settled eight years ago, it was our tirely. May we not all suppose that the own Secretary Hay who secured an agree- last moment—the ultimate breath—is ment with the powers "to safeguard for pregnant with an abiding and sweet conthe world's peoples equal and impartial tent? Wouldn't it be a beautiful thing to

The Russo-Japanese war left Japan isn't it going to be a little embarrassing sorbing all that is germane to its spirit

Educators and China.

door being open, it has been closed by dent Roosevelt urged that whatever steps realize their nature, to gain their rightful tariffs and customs regulations which ap- are proper be taken to secure for America plied to all foreign goods, and not to large numbers of Chinese students. The physical, are abolished. The enthusiasm dence of a collapse of the old parties and Japanese merchandise, and this sort of "Western learning" is China's greatest commercial unfairness has been indulged present need; the most neighborly service

China would bring ten thousand students the criminal is being studied, that he of the old parties have often, for purely China is growing rapidly, and much of to these shores, eager to sit at the feet may be reformed, the problem of poverty negative reasons, voted "third tickets" to its growth is due to the work of Ameri- of American teachers. The body best can missionaries, American schools, qualified to extend that invitation is the American commercial enterprises. The National Educational Association, now in time has arrived when she not only does session in this city. No more important not look with hostility on railroads; she question can come before the convention

hands and do her own building and de- particular. Here is China, powerful beveloping. To such a movement on the yound all reckoning, eager to place its well look favorably and encouragingly. the leaders of the empire, under the young men, who in a few years will be tutelage of this country. This means From the Springfield Republican should be able to furnish in fair competi- nothing less than the peaceful domination China will use within the next hundred implies of trade advantage, moral influland. Assuredly, so alert a body of pafriotic citizens as the members of the National Educational Association will not ignore it.

> Senator Hale estimates the cost of our new navy at \$1,200,000,000. And to think

"One trouble with some people is that self-respect, says the Chicago Record-Herald. Has our contemporary not mixed itself up a little in this matter? It should require no violent effort for the right kind of man to retain his self-re-

in the West, to elaborate somewhat his editorial headline five columns wide in

"Still, all the criminals are not rich Georgian. And, more important still, perhaps, all the rich men are not criminals.

Even when Congress shall have restored

"If Washington were alive and Presisought to be enjoined. Some of these Why, "Gee Washington," of course.

goodly issue of Hettygreenbacks

We do not indorse the Columbia State's plea for a domestic supply of dukes, earls.

But I bid ye be careful an' not go too far.

Shure, it's true I'm no more nor the height

The English House of Commons is ussing the matter of campaign contributions. England always was a little slow; Do I hunt for the throuble? Mayhap, now, it; we have just about dropped that topic as

"Well, thin, keep yer opinion. "Tis little it's worth, anama Canal he received no such bene-liction as the President has bestowed on Panama Canal he received no such benediction as the President has bestowed on The policy here briefly outlined would Mr. Hitchcock, the retiring First Assistant undoubtedly put a stop to the worst of Postmaster General," says the Providence

parently following our fleet is a very in-

"'Taft at Concord,' runs a headline. Where has Taft been that there was not concord?" asks the Terre Haute Tribune. had to cut through it with a meat ax.

A South Carolina bank was robbed

"A Berlin correspondent says that when the German Emperor goes to a musical comedy, he composes three jokes and hands them to the leading comedian, says the Birmingham News. No doubt his majesty wants to get even with the leading comedian for some of the jokes he hands the audience

onor a check for 10,000 kisses. We dewe are informed what sort of person

An Indian chief is reported to have spent \$2,000 for comic valeatines this year, Looks as if poor Lo will never learn anything worth while about the gold

A Wisconsin man recently smoked for the first time, though he is ninety-six years of age. Surely a man who can go that long without smoking before he passes away ought to be able to avoid

"Dying is a most delicious sensation, says a physician. Unfortunately for the truth of this statement, the physician isn't dead, never has been, and can't

"Of course, the dignitaries of Callao went out to meet Admiral Evans in a Peruvian bark," says the Chicago Post. All right; but what was the admiral doing in a Peruvian bark?

The latest brainstorm is to the effect that the President has sold the Philippines to the German Emperor, and has sent that fleet to the Pacific in order to see that Japan doesn't cut up about it. What we need to do now is to borrow England's fleet to see that Germany doesn't cut up about it.

"A Waterloo man had a vision of Roosevelt and Bryan running on the same ticket," says the Des Moines Capi-tal. More likely a boozaloo man.

Home is where the heart is, and the delegate is where the pie is.

'I have no illusions about Mr. Roose velt," says Mr. Harriman. No, indeed merely a large cluster of disallusions.

When an irresistible Hughes boom collides with an immovable "Bat" Masterson, what is the answer?

MODERN CHRISTIANITY. New Sense of Religion Taking Possession of Men,

From the Boston Transcript. The Christian religion, which in essence is the revelation of divine love to climax of man's religious development. It carries within it healing and reconcil-If both the old parties select a Southern ing forces. It is a principle of growth, man for a Vice Presidential candidate, and shows its power of adaptation by about of its environment. Hence Christianity has a social as well as a personal message. It seeks so to mold all instiof humanity creates missionary and re- the development of anything like the po the optimists that are so abundantly evident in modern life, and that amaze Oriis attacked that it may be lightened, the insane, the sick, the would-be suicide appeal as they have never appealed to sympathy and the power to help. We are conscious that enormous though our evils are, we have the power to overcome Whence this incurable hopefulness? Only from the new sense of retake all foreign concessions into her own situation parallel to the present in this ligion and its value that is taking possession of the general mind, and that is permeating all the higher thought of our

Asset Currency.

tion most of the railroad supplies that of China by America, with all that this tent beginning to come over to the curence, and political prestige. The oppor- central bank is desirable. A greater cenket, we have our chance. If the task is to tunity is one that should stir to action tralization of the banking power of the every institution of higher learning in the United States seems to us to be probably an indispensable condition of safety in the issue of bank notes based upon business assets, and in the absence of a central bank to possess the sole power of note issues, we should go very slow in the matter of adopting an asset curre As an experiment involving no great risk gency issues-not based on bonds-might a very small effort enables them to keep their self-respect." says the Chicago have to come sooner or later.

Legal Holidays on Saturday. From the Wall Street Journal.

An unusual number of legal holidays fall this year on Saturday, which day is "Roosevelt Checks a Plot," says an legally a half holiday. They are February 22, Washington's Birthday; May views on the relations of government to the Philadelphia North American. Isn't 30, Decoration or Memorial Day, and July Memorial Day and July 4 always fall on the same day of the week, but it is only possible in leap year for Washingmen these days," observes the Atlanta ton's Birthday to occur on the same day of the week as the Fourth of July. legal holidays have fallen on Saturday previous to this year since 1903, when Decoration Day and Fourth of July fell

THE PEACEABLE RACE.

'Who says that the Irish are fighters by birth?' "Faix, there's not a more peaceable rac If ye l'are 'em alone."

"In a free country it is intolerable that one should be denied equal access to markets by discriminating rates or allowances, or that he should be the victim of a conspiracy to deprive him of his business, or that he should be crushed by the missues of large aggregations of capital in unfair competition. Nor should a premium be placed upon such practices or an incentive be given to extortion by primitting the piling up of securities which do not fairly represent value and upon which returns cannot be earned by fair means."

A goodly issue of Hettygreenbacks might be circulated with safety, however.

"Holland has 100,000 windmills," says the Butfalo News. Nevertheless, not one of them has one-tenth the fame of John Wesley Gaines.

Wesley Gaines.

A man has been arrested in Utah for stealing a bath. Heavens! It isn't a crime to take a bath in that country, is it?

A lad That's beset vid the curse o' pugnacity bad. But he's jish' th' ixciption that's provin' the rule; An' what else could ye ask from a lad like O'Toole? Sure, he's sic. a big mountain o' muscic and bone, Sizin' up to the heft o' some siventeen stone. That he fair aggravates iv'ry other bould buck To prove that there's others as clerer as him. Now, I ask ye, suppose ye was husky as Tim, Don't ye think 'twould be right ye should take a crime to take a bath in that country, is it? "Tim O'Toole? Well, I grant ye now, there

Says little Dan Crone. "Is it me? Arrah, now it is jokin' ye are.

Where's the dog wouldn't fight whin his tail gets threadbare.

Still, it would require twenty-one Cannon booms to indicate a President.

Still but threadbare threadbare threadbare threadbare.

Shure, how else would they know-I'm that stunted and small the heart of a man in me body at all?

-T. A. Daly, in Catholic Standard and Times.

A LITTLE NONSENSE.

QUERY. Of staircase verse We see a pile. Does it uplift style? poet's

Does it lead up To great renown? Or does it drag fellow

down? In New York,

"Madam, I'm hungry." "Well met! Come right into the Hotel Goulash. I can't eat in a fashionable place unless accompanied by a man."

The Cautious Congressman, "So you are in favor of tariff revision? "Yes. Since the people seem to desire it, I think we might alter a comma here and there without hurting anything.

A La Kipling. He prates to-day of pike and shard; Writes warlike stuff. I fear me that the gentle bard

Get Your Dictionary, "I'm very fond of Welsh eisteddfods. Aren't you? "I don't know. Are they anything like

Is getting rough,

rabbits?

Live and Learn.

"When are they to be married?" "She doesn't know. She is worried because she is not quite sure of herself." "That's a new one on me. I thought girl worried when she wasn't quite sure Revolutionary Claims.

The Requirements. "An actor needs imagination, scope, breadth temperament--

Like the Spelling. "Are you in favor of ball-gown reform?"

"And a fur-lined overcoat."

"Not if it means cutting 'em down February 24 in History.

Henry VIII had his nose frozen, 1556. Peter the Great lost 57 kopecks at poker, 1725 Violinist Nero made his debut, 96

Battle of Popswotch, 1191. Lars Porsena of Clusium spilled from his ivory car, 990 B. C. Paris sacked by suffragettes, 1643.

THIRD-PARTY STRENGTH.

Plenty of Opportunity This Year for Disgruntled Voters.

From the New York Evening Post. There will be no occasion for surprise next November at developments of voting strength outside of the Democratic and Republican lines. Next to the unexampled plurality of the winning candidate, this growth of the smaller groups was the notable feature of the last Presi- glad to vote for such repeal. dential election. Every party gained in that election except the luckless Demo-Populist 63,000, the Socialist 310,000, and fairs. He also knows his Bible. humanity, stands as the crown and the Socialist-Labor 200 or so in an election which brought out a smaller vote the Democratic losses than the aug- began on one of the preceding six. mented Republican vote. They received

rears later. What will the proportion be One must ignore the most patent facts heritage. All slaveries, moral and of American politics to see here the eviformer and philanthropist. Hence, too, litical groups of European countries. But this year with the fact that the doubtful on the Lord's day. voter has more satisfactory refuges this ental visitors to Christian lands. To-day year than usual. Disgruntled members there are so many positive reasons for doing the same, the chance is just so Politicians have much greater. minor parties in places where they have a chance of drawing votes from the At present, such tactics will be a little like playing with fire.

Hughes a Modern Washington.

Edwin D. Mead, in Boston Globe, Our asset currency school is to this extent beginning to come over to the curtent rency principle, in the recognition that a and exercise the potent influence day by and that it was probably too late to central bank is desirable. A greater cen-day which would compel in every class get a similar shipment to the right cusrespect for law and respect for men, tomer in time. He got into communicawhich would stop strife, shame greed and thon with Pittsburg again, and learn the contagious example of "plain devotedness to duty." Is America poor in men of this primal Washington quality to-day? Thank God she is rich. The first form the charles E. name of one of them is Charles E.

A Home Census. From the Philadelphia Bulletin Chairman Tawney, who is the leading economist at the National Capital, declares that the next census should confine itself to the mainland of the United finger-States, leaving the brown, yellow, and make it up."

parti-colored inhabitants of our island "Humph," he retorted, "I'll kiss it, but ssessions without the costly blessing of do not think it needs any more making a Federal enumeration. Probably most up? plain Americans will think he is right.

When the Octopus Guffaws.

From the Springfield Union. Commenting on Senator "Jeff" Davis prolonged absence from Washington, The Washington Herald remarks that the Senator "evidently entertains a sublime faith in the octopus' predilection for standing hitched." This should bring from the octopus a horse laugh.

How Not to Do It.

From the Boston Transcript Ohlo is contemplating the erection of a new Statehouse. Her near neighbor. sylvania, has given her a brilliant example of what to avoid.

Usual Stipulation Missing. From the Philadelphia Ledger. Strangely enough, the Carnegie gift to a bride did not depend upon any stipulation that the groom furnish as large an

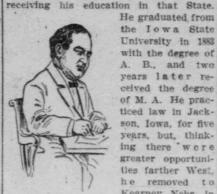
From the New York Evening Su Whether or not Gen. Stoessel showed behaved like a brave man at his trial.

From the Baltimore Sun. The railroad companies have a "nerve" to go and reduce wages without the con-

sent of President Roosevelt. Incurable Disorders. From the Dayton Herald. No matter whether lying comes from infrom lying, it's

hard matter to cure either. The Texas Way. From the Charleston News and Courier. The nine-foot-sheet bill in Oklahoma CAPITOL GOSSIP.

Senator Norris Brown is one of the busy B's from Nebraska. Like his colleague, Senator Burkett, he is a native of Iowa, receiving his education in that State.



SENATOR BROWN cupying that office for two years.

near Senator Burkett.

lect Committee on Expenditures in the Department of Justice, and is a member of the committees on Civil Sevice and Oregon under observation from every he will be elected, not being a politician Retrenchment, Corporations Organized in the United States. And not to her and not being thoroughly posted on the the District of Columbia, Indian Affairs, credit, either. the District of Columbia, Indian Affairs, Mississippi River and its Tributaries, and

. . . . modesty of Mr. Hardwick does not per- not self-restraint enough to forego. Caremit him to forget his rights and conceal less people, or people who don't like to be selected for this responsible post," con-himself behind a cloud of self-abasement, be bothered with importunity, sign the tinued Prof. Holmes, "and it does not troducing fim crow street cars into the District of Columbia, Mr. Hardwick was, for a long time, merely an interested spectator.

passed about the chamber quite promiscuously, Mr. Hardwick arose, and, after eing recognized, made quite a speech. He attacked the position of the Repubican members on the question, and said that that party has continued to violate in spirit the fourteenth and fifteenth amendments to the Constitution, in spite of wild protests that it would uphold those amendments.

When Mr. Hardwick finished-he is one of the youngest members of the House-a Republican arose and said:

When the laughter died down, Mr. Hardwick managed to say that he hadn't

Representative Campbell, of Kansas, in More than likely it will be as follows: crats. Roosevelt's personality was said addition to being a member of the House to overshadow everything. Yet the Pro- Committee on the District of Columbia, owned up to having done so, saying, "Fa- through a friend, in whom she confided ther. I cannot tell a lie;" threw a stone she thought Phillips 'would do' as a hushibition party gained 49,000 recruits, the is also a great worker on other House af-

sometimes that he is compelled to go up steady, was very good all the time, and tious love leters through her granddaughthan that of 1900. The growth of minor to the House office building on the first everybody looked up to him; of course ter, the latter always joining in with love parties accounts for a larger portion of day of the week, to continue labors which very brave; of course very wise, and a and kisses at the end of each. Mr. Phil-

> building, Mr. Campbell was called upon crowd of children in the building.

some Democrat.

a trifle red, and then shouted out:

From the Cleveland Plain Dealer Two wrongs make a right The other day a young employe in the local office of a big manufacturing concern called up the company's factory at Pittsburg to place a hurry order that ! had to be filled that day or never. Some how when he was telephoning the order What kind of a President would George he had a brainstorm, and gave the name Washington make to-day? A President of the wrong customer. Several hours

graft, inspire the loftiest American ambitions, and keep the republic which he his order had also suffered a brainstorm, founded true to itself and to the world. and put down a different name than the He would set the nation in his great way one he had told her. It just happened that the name she wrote down was the right one. The girl's error saved the young man

The Sulky Brute. The quarrel about his broken New Year resolutions, having reached its climax, began slowly to decline. "Come, dear." she said at last-she

touched her rosy dimple with her slim 'come, kiss my cheek, dear, and so expensive.'

From the Louisville Courier-Journal

"Good morning, parson," "Good morning, deacon. As I was coming along just now I saw a fight been a brindle bulldog and a mastiff And, upon my word, deacon, more than fifty men were standing around. can people take an interset in such

"I dunno, parson. Which dawg won?"

As It Seemed to Him. From the Chicago News. "Advertising," remarked the thinker, is a good deal like making love to a "What's the answer?" queried the dense

"It can't be overdone," answered the thinker.

Followed the Directions, Physician-Where is the patient? Nurse-Just jumped out of the window Physician-Jumped out of the window? What in the world did he do that for? courage at Port Arthur, he has certainly directions and when the directions blew out with a gust of wind he followed.

> Now that it has narrowed down to Taft and Hughes, the country is safe for four years from March 4, 1909.

From the Portland Oregonian.

From the Cleveland Plain Dealer.

originated in Texas, where only one sheet far more common than the skeleton in the

I closet.

It also takes more than one swallow to make a bummer. But, of course, that's the way it starts. Family Secrets.

The bottle in the sideboard is becoming

That both initiative and referendum, again he will be re-elected with a rous-

within proper limits, might be useful, was ing majority," said Prof. Manfred J.

He graduated from the belief of large numbers who joined Holmes, secretary-tre-surer of the Illithe Iowa State in voting for their adoption, yet who nois State Normal University, Normal, University in 1883 did not foresee that they would fall into Ill., at the Riggs yesterday. with the degree of the hands of faddists, sophisters, sche- Prof. Holmes is here attending the con-A. B., and two mers, doctrinaries of all sorts, who vention of the congress of educators, would appeal to them against representa- Continuing his political observations and ceived the degree tive government methods or ordinary leg- impressions, he said that, with Roosevelt islation. They were adopted under the out of the question, Illinois would natuticed law in Jack- impression that they were to be the med- rally be in favor of her native son, Joe son, Iowa, for five cine of the Constitution, cautiously ading there were not its daily bread.

REFERENDUM IN OREGON.

Alleged to Encourage Obstruction-

ists, Faddists, and Cranks.

From the Portland Oregoni

ties farther West. he removed to Kearney, Nebr., in 1888, and put out his shingle in that his shingle in that in a community to use them judiciously. United States. His age should constitute

upying that office for two years.

They encourage every group of hobbythat he presides over the deliberations of
the Brown was elected to the United ists. every lot of people burning with States Senate in 1907. He devotes a great whimsical notions, to propose initiative alertness of mind seldom equaled, and deal of his time to his Senatorial duties measures, or to interpose objections rarely, if ever, surpassed, is sufficient deal of his time to his Senatorial duties, through referendum appeals. They have proof of the fact that age does not necesand is usually to be found in his accustomed place, in the Cherokee Strip, stitution and laws altogether; or at least mind which are usually attributed to of keeping people who would defend the youth Senator Brown is chairman of the Se- stability and orderly progress of society

The whole of this modern scheme of Discussing school matters, Prof. Holmes setting aside constitution and laws, and said the management of schools should of forcing legislation without debate or be intrusted to the care of a man who opportunity of amendment, turns out bad- is not only thoroughly well posted on Representative Hardwick, of Georgia, is ly, because it gives the cranks of the matters relating to education, but who a modest man. At the same time, the country an opportunity which they have is also a good business manager.

"The best available man should always During the debate on the question of in- petitions to get rid of the solicitors; and make any difference whether he be a local for a long time, merely an interested spectator.

Finally, after compliments had been votes of the comparatively few enthusiasts who favor to have the best education possible, and that can only be had by selecting the may mark their ballots ignorantly or memory who is best equipped for the posiwithout understanding the matter at all.

DO YOU KNOW WASHINGTON? Owen Wister Describes Popular Con- ter wages we pay the better teachers we ception of First President.

wen Wister, in Everybody's Magazi Born February 22, 1732; died December 14, 1799; fought Indians-time and place a little vague-was he not with Braddock? Married a widow named Martha; was "That a woman of fifty-eight cannot commander all through our Revolution; trifle with the affections of a man of

the reader know of Washington the man? Mrs. Flora Goodman, a resident

In fact, Mr. Campbell works so hard his initials; worked hard at school, was proceeded to write him a series of cau-During the consideration of the resolu- men in all history; was tall, strong, wore held on the prospects of marrying the rich but little over 1 per cent of the total vote tion to determine the number of police- those knee breeches of colonial days, and widow, and she in turn agreed to settle in 1900, and more than 5 per cent four men to be employed in guarding the office a wig; looked stern; would probably lec- \$2.500 a year on him after the honeymoon. to tell some of his experiences with a not, is the reader's notion of Washington love began to wane, and Mr. "I will have to confess," he said, "that without passions, grand, not merely sition. When he found that the spell of on last Sunday I was forced to break greater than human, simply not human the romance had been permanently broken

Mr. Campbell pondered a bit, grew just living.

Had Them Both Bested. At the Franklin Inn, a Philadelphia lit- a woman for the same thing." rary club, a young sonneteer congrat-

his Washington studies. Mr. Wister, smiling modestly, checked tained. that flow of praise with a Washington

School," he said, "a boy in my form ered." In this laconic dictum Lieut. F. failed wretchedly on a problem in algebra. P. Lahm, U. S. A., disposed of a problem The master frowned at the boy.

'Yes, sir,' Jones answered. 'And do you know that at your age he was Pres-

the miquitous automobile law.

only married a year, and already so once strike the right air current, you're 'Ah, but,' groaned the benedict, 'I

man on the back in a consolatory way. from rifle or gun fire, and even if hit by "'Yes,' he said, 'a wife is an expensive a rifle ball and pierced, it does not neces-

From Harper's Weekly. "What does your father do to earn his living?" asked a New York principal of pupil who was being admitted. "Please, ma'am, he doesn't live with us; mamma supports me.' 'Well, then, how does your mother

"She gets paid for staying away from papa," replied the child, artlessly. He Knew the Answer.

From Punch. Margaret (to young brother-coaxingly) Willie-Not if it's anything upstairs.

Magnificent, but Not War. from the Philadelphia Ledger. Russia is planning to build a billion-dollar navy, and that will be altogether too

fine a thing to risk in war, THE MODERN IDEA.

> That's the cry to-day; Take no time for happiness, Hurry, hurry, hurry!
> Tread the weaker downWhat are blighted hearts to us,
> When we seek renown?

Who would stop to rest? Sive no heed to love's demands, Drive it from your breast!

Chasing after bubbles we'll

Hurry, hurry, hurry! Faces hard and set.

AT THE HOTELS.

"Roosevelt is the most popular man in

lilinois, and if he only consents to run

ministered when occasion might require; "Illinois will give Cannon a rousing send-off. He is the choice of the State. Of course they are revolutionary. They Cannon is peculiarly qualified to occupy violate the very principles upon which the Presidential chair by reason of his town. He served as county attorney of Buffalo County for four years, and from 1900 to 1904 was deputy attorney general.

Later he was made attorney general, oc-

"Taft is also a good man, and, I dare

when the election comes on the proposal man or a native, or resident of some is likely to be neglected by the body of other place. What you want is the best voters, and carried by the votes of the in the market. You want your children tion, irrespective of residence, or political or religious persuasion. Get the best. And, speaking generally, I believe that school teachers, as a class, are underpaid. If we

> Walter Phillips, of London, is registered at the New Willard. A London cable of yesterday related the following story re-

Republican arose and said:
"I believe that the gentleman from was our first President, and had two sixty with impunity has just been decided by a jury, which has rendered a verdict he was elected to Congress that, if he were elected, he would repeal the four-the Delaware at Trenton just before to his heart and prospects, because a rich Christmas, and surprised the Hessians; widow found that a change had come beat Cornwallis at Yorktown, and was over her affections after asking him to promised to repeal those amendments, all first in war, first in peace, and first in marry her. The plaintiff in this interest alone, but that he nevertheless would be the hearts of his countrymen. These are all public facts. What does gical operator, and the defendant was ing case was Walter L. Phillips, a sur-Bournemouth, whose husband had left Cut down a cherry tree with a hatchet; her very well to do. She met Phillips very far across some river; climbed up band. She found for one thing that he the side of the Natural Bridge and cut was 'deeply religious,' like herself. She great patriot; was one of the greatest lips was induced to give up a position he you would be happy. Such, if I mistake ing rather well. But presently the widow's as a man; cold, austere, unemotional, found himself in rather an awkward po one of the commandments and go to the at all; a sort of marble statue. A figure he took recourse to the law. The jury House office building to do some work to prize, to be proud of as an American, found that Mrs. Goodman was old enough n the Lord's day.

a figure to revere, but not a character to to know her own mind, and that, though "What commandment was it?" inquired love, to be drawn to, to feel any kinship she was a grandmother, she had shown with. In two words, immortal yet not surprising fickleness. The jury, also it as its opinion that if a woman was to promise, a man should, considering al! the rules of propriety, be allowed to sue

> Inasmuch as Mr. Phillips left the New alated Owen Wister upon the success of known, his side of this most interesting bit of London gossip could not be ob-"The balloon is the only feasible means by which the north pole can be discov-

> which has occupied the minds of in-Lieut. Lahm is an air navigator him at your age George Washington was a self, is enthusiastic on the subject, and won the international balloon contest which was held a few years ago in France. He is an opitimist so far as the usefulness of the gas bag is concerned and the possibilities and uses to which Colgate Hoyt, the president of the this aerial craft may be put in times of

> American Automobile Club, was arguing peace and war, according to the views at the end of a recent club meeting about at the end of a recent club meeting about inexhaustible and unlimited. "Wellman's idea, to discover the north "Your suggestion," said Mr. Hoyt to pole by means of the balloon, is abso-his opponent, "offers very cold comfort. lutely correct," said Lieut, Lahm, "and It is bachelor's comfort-that is to say, if he'd had favorable winds, he would no doubt have succeeded in his undertak-"What, said a bachelor to a benedict, ing. All depends on the wind. If you

> "The future of the balloon as a factor never imagined that a wife would prove in war time is of the greatest importance expensive.'
> "The bachelor patted the blue married station. A balloon is practically safe article, that is true; but then you must sarily mean that the balloon is disabled remember that she lasts a very long and will have to descend. Unless it is torn and rent into shreds, the balloon can be mended up in the air and remain. A balloon is, comparatively speaking, almost safe from rifle or gun fire, for the reason that it is difficult to figure the range. You can never tell how many yards or feet a balloon is up in and, therefore, you cannot adjust your

> > Mr. Hughes T. Reynolds, cashier of the Citizens' Bank, of Rome, Ga., and one of the more prominent young men of Georgia, is at the Shoreham.

> > "So far as my immediate section is concerned," says Mr. Reynolds, "all evidences of anything like a 'panic' have disappeared. The Georgia banks met the emergency upon them in great shape, and I must say the business men cooperated with us splendidly. Georgia is booming, too. Prohibition, contrary to many predictions, has not troubled us in the least; business conditions have not been upset by it. Georgia may there, but the land literally flows with milk and honey-you can't 'queer' tion that is rolling in wealth, and the resources of which are inestimable. Rooserelt is immensely popular down there too, though I am not one of those who believe he could carry Georgia against Bryan or any other Democratic nom-

gressman George Washington Taylor, of the First Alabama district.

Mr. Reynolds is the son-in-law of Con-

Denmark's War on Rats.

Denmark has a rat law. The national government is to spend £1,000 a year and borough councils 3s 3d per 100 persons per year to exterminate the pests. Each rat is said to cost a farthing a day in the material it destroys. In eighteen weeks the total rats destroyed amounted to